

May 3, 2004

Exemption No. 7897A  
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2002-12728

Mr. Elias Cotti  
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Dear Mr. Cotti:

This is in response to your April 14, 2004, letter petitioning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of National Business Aviation Association, Inc. (NBAA) for an extension of Exemption No. 7897. That exemption from §§ 91.409(e) and 91.501(a) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) permits NBAA members to operate small civil airplanes and helicopters of U.S. registry under the operating rules of §§ 91.503 through 91.535 and to select an inspection program as described in § 91.409(f), subject to certain conditions and limitations.

In your petition, you indicate that the conditions and reasons regarding public interest and safety, presented in the original petition upon which the exemption was granted, remain unchanged.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to NBAA.

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 7897 remains valid with respect to this exemption.

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In consideration of the foregoing, I find that a grant of exemption is in the public interest. Therefore, pursuant to the authority contained in 49 U.S.C. §§ 40113 and 44701, delegated to me by the Administrator, Exemption No. 7987 is hereby amended by extending its September 30, 2004, termination date to September 30, 2006, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

All conditions and limitations of Exemption No. 7897 remain the same. This letter shall be attached to, and is a part of, Exemption No. 7897.

Sincerely,

/s/

John M. Allen

Acting Director, Flight Standards Service